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I am appalled at the flagrant disregard Microsoft has for the laws of the U.S. The only benevolent monopoly that has been in the 20th century was AT&T which provided very low cost phone service to the nation. It was broken up and phone service has been less than adequate since.

Microsoft, on the other hand, forces inferior software on buyers of computers and willfully suppresses other providers from competing in a free market society. The cost is maintained at a high level because no competition is allowed.

The fact that no punishment or dissolution of the company has occurred so far, feeds the idea that judges can be bought off by Bill Gates because he has the billions necessary to find anyone's price.

I urge you to uphold the welfare of the nation and dissolve the Microsoft monopoly so that other companies can compete in a fair market allowing consumers to have choices for their spending which stimulates the economy and provides jobs in technology.

Thank you for hearing my concerns,
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